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SUBJECT: REPROGRAMMING TO MEET HIGHER PRIORITY REQUIREMENTS -
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FROM USREP ICAO

REF: STATE 160063 AND STATE 165561

1. REGRET THAT NO RPT NO ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF IN OFFICE
DURING MONTH AUGUST AND ABSENCE USREP RESULTED DELAY IN REPLYING
REFTELS.

2. AS CLEARLY DOCUMENTED OVER PAST YEAR, US MISSION TO ICAO
IS AT MINIMUM.

A. STAFFING. ONE STAFF MEMBER IS USREP ON COUNCIL
AND THER STANDING COMMITTEES. OTHER STAFF MEMBER IS REPRESENTATIVE
ON AIR NAVIGATION COMMISSION, SUPPORTING SEVERAL
TECHNICAL COMMITTEES/PANELS. TWO SECRETARIES (THIRD POSITION
ABOLISHED OVER YEAR AGO).

B. PROGRAMMING. THIS MISSION DOES NOT PROGRAM. IT
IS POLICY/REPRESENTATIVE AND THEREFORE HAS NO FLEXIBILITY
WITH RESPECT TO PROGRAMMING OR REPROGRAMMING AND ESTABLISHING
BUDGETARY PRIORITIES REGARDING SAME.

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C. ADMINISTRATIVE. THE MISSION HAS A MINIMUM OF ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES. ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT HANDLED BY WASHINGTON DIRECT WITH MISSION.

D. BUDGETARY SUPPORT. BUDGET OF 25,000 TO 35,000 DOLLARS ALREADY MINIMIZED BY DISCONTINUANCE OF TELEX (20 PERCENT BUDGET) AND OTHER MINOR ADJUSTMENTS.

3. REGARDING EROSION OF THE VALUE OF THE DOLLAR, SMALL BUDGET MINIMIZES EFFECT ON FUNDING OF MISSION. THE US DOLLAR/CANADIAN DOLLAR RATIO HAS IMPROVED FROM THREE PERCENT TO LESS THAN ONE PERCENT WHICH DISADVANTAGE HAS BEEN ABSORBED BY STAFF MEMBERS PERSONALLY IN THE AREAS OF SALARY, RESIDENCE, ORE, AND REPRESENTATION. THE BALANCE OF THE DOLLAR SUPPORT IS MINOR. THE GREATLY INCREASED COST OF LIVING IN MONTREAL HAS AGGRAVATED THIS DISADVANTAGE. THIS PROBLEM IS NOT REGARDED AS AN IMPORTANT ONE IN THE ICAO MISSION AT THIS TIME. HOWEVER, WE CERTAINLY HAVE NO FLEXIBILITY NOR EXCESS FOR REPROGRAMMING.

4. USREP HOPES THESE STATEMENTS RESPONSIVE TO REFTELS. REALIZE REQUEST IS MORE RELEVANT TO LARGER MISSIONS. TOPPING

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